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Honorable Kevin de León
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 205
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 100 (de León) – Support

Dear President pro Tempore de León:

The Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) is the independent consumer advocate within the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). ORA's mission is to advocate for the lowest possible rates for customers of California's regulated utilities consistent with safe, reliable service levels and the state's environmental goals.

ORA supports SB 100, as amended on June 28, 2017, which sets more aggressive targets for clean, renewable energy. Moreover, SB 100 establishes the historic policy goal of 100% clean energy by 2045. By setting this goal, the bill allows state agencies and other stakeholders to begin planning a cost effective pathway toward a 100% clean energy future.

ORA recognizes that SB 100 will further diversify California's energy portfolio of clean, renewable energy sources. SB 100 also will spur development of innovative technologies, such as energy storage and grid control systems. This growth can increase competition in the energy sector, which in turn, can help keep energy service affordable while advancing the state's climate and other goals. SB 100 provides the foundation for all Californians to benefit from a cleaner environment, continued growth of a robust economy, and improved public health.

ORA looks forward to working with you to implement this important bill in a cost effective manner to ensure that California's energy consumers fully realize the benefits envisioned by SB 100.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please don't hesitate to call me at (415) 703-2381.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Echols, Director
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